Alaska Local and Regional Information Workforce Info

Mekoryuk

Mekoryuk is a second class city located at the mouth of Shoal Bay on the north shore of Nunivak Island in the Bering Sea. The Island lies 30 miles off the coast and is about 150 air miles west of Bethel. Mekoryuk is part of the Bethel Census Area.

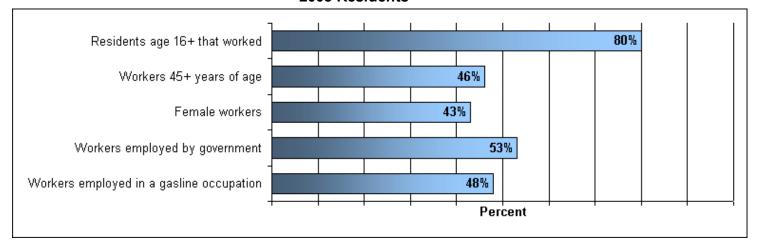
- ♦ The estimated population for 2008 was 195, a loss of about 15 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 80 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Local Government was the main industry in 2008, employing 50 percent of the area's workers.
- More workers were employed as Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand than any other occupation.

Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

	Mekoryuk Resider	nt Snapshot (2008)		
Working Age Residents		Wages		
Residents age 16+	155	Total wages	\$2,090,304	
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector		
Total	124	Private	58	
Male	71	State government	4	
Female	53	Local government	62	
Age 45+	57	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers		
Age 50+	38	Peak (1st) quarter workers	95	
		Percent working all 4 quarters	53.2%	
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)		
UI Claimants	39	Some construction	25	
		At least 1 year construction	5	
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	2	
New hires	67	Worked in an AGIA occupation	122	

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2008 Residents

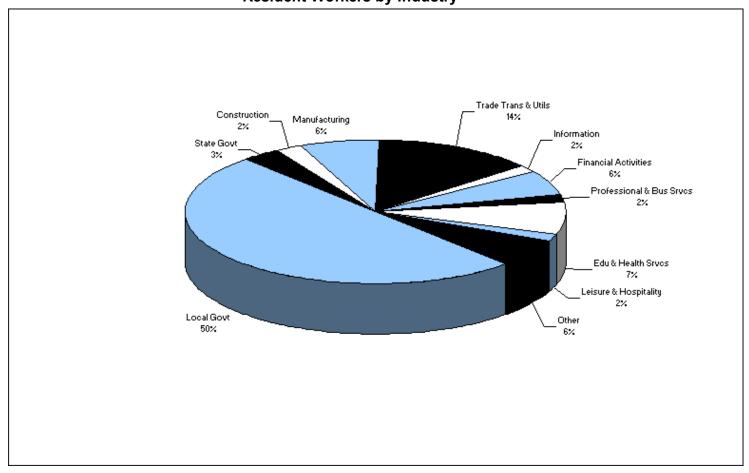


Top Occupations

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand AGIA	16	12.5%	7	5
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers AGIA	11	63.6%	3	1
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	8	62.5%	1	1
Construction Laborers AGIA HOT JOB	6	16.7%	4	3
Teacher Assistants	6	83.3%	3	1

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Number			
	employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	0	0.0%	0	0
Construction	*	*	*	*
Manufacturing	8	62.5%	1	1
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	17	58.8%	7	4
Information	*	*	*	*
Financial Activities	7	28.6%	5	5
Professional and Business Services	*	*	*	*
Educational and Health Services	9	66.7%	4	3
Leisure and Hospitality	*	*	*	*
State Government	*	*	*	*
Local Government	62	33.9%	31	20
Other	8	75.0%	2	1
Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0

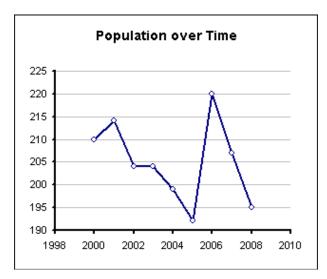
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Recent Unemployment Statistics				
	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	20	23	24	27

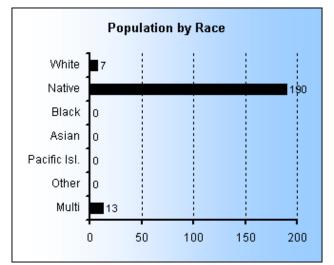
^{**}UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Lower Kuskokwim School District	
Native Village of Mekoryuk	
Mekoryuk City of	
Nima Store Inc	
Nuniwarmiut Reindeer & Seafood	
Coastal Villages Seafoods Inc	
Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corp 90	
VSW Mekoryuk Project	
Nuniwarmiut Piciryarata	
Assoc of Village Council Pres	
Avcp Housing Authority	
Coastal Villages Region Fund	



2000 Census			
Median Age	35.6		
Average Family Size	3.8		
Average Household Size	2.9		
Per Capita Income	\$11,958		
Median Family Income	\$33,750		
Median Household Income	\$30,833		



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

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